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FEW FOREIGN GOODS COMING IN

A summarizing of the duties collected on merchandise imported into the United States from 1821 to 1915 is contained in the opening section of "Imported Merchandise Entered for Consumption and Duties Collected Thereon," during the fiscal year 1915, has just been completed by the Bureau of Foreign and Domestic Commerce, Department of Commerce.

Decreased customs revenues in the fiscal year 1915 clearly reflect the influence of war, which operated to cut off imports generally and especially merchandise from Europe, the leading source of dutiable goods. While customs revenues in 1914 amounted to \$283,700,000, a decrease of \$28,700,000, or less than 10 per cent, when compared with 1913, in the following year under war they fell to \$205,800,000, being \$78,700,000, or 27 1-2 per cent below the total for 1914.

Customs revenues in the period from 1821 to 1845 averaged, roughly speaking, about \$25,000,000 a year; from 1846 to 1855, approximately \$45,000,000 a year; in the succeeding decade, \$60,000,000; in the thirty years from 1866 to 1895, about \$180,000,000; and in the last twenty years, a little more than \$257,000,000 per annum, the lowest point being \$145,000,000 in 1898 and the highest \$329,500,000 in 1907.

The moral to be drawn from these figures on imports from foreign countries is that the howl in certain quarters about "free trade" flooding the country with foreign-made goods is without any foundation in fact.

SOME EFFECTS OF PROHIBITION

It may be too soon to make any estimates worth while as to the effect of prohibition on crime, but although it has been less than a month since the three northwest states went dry, reports from all of them show that there has been a marked falling off in crime, or to be exact, misdemeanors and small offenses. Of course, the main falling off is in the arrests for drunkenness, but there is also a decrease in arrests for assault and battery and other minor offenses which go to show that old John Barleycorn was a quarrelsome sort. As to its effect on the more serious crimes it will take considerable time before reliable statistics can be compiled. It is probable though that the showing in this respect will also be a good one, for many of the murders and shooting scrapes heretofore, were due to drink.

Another thing rather unexpected about the dry conditions is that the importation of liquors is not nearly so large as was looked for. It may be that the supplies laid in before the law went into effect may account for part of this, and that when these are exhausted the business of the express companies will show a marked increase, but the fact remains that so far the demand for liquors appears to have been almost wiped out.

Several of the college presidents and professors are out in advocacy of simplified spelling. Having for years vainly tried to teach the college graduate how to spell so as not to be a disgrace to the alma mater, they have abandoned the attempt and will now try to bring spelling within the reach of their pupils. There is a proverb that: "If the mountain will not come to Mahomet, Mahomet must go to the mountain." As Abe Martin would say, "There are other ways of killing a cat besides choking it on hot butter."

Last week snow and sleighing were on the boards, and yet in another month city folks will be setting out the odoriferous onion and the succulent radish and lettuce. Spring does not linger on the lap of winter in Oregon, but instead generally keeps several laps ahead of him.

From the unusual amount and severity of windstorms this year it looks as though little 1916 was trying himself out to see if he could stand the coming presidential campaign with all the little campaigns added.

History records the fact that Bologna once went to war over a bucket. This seems a small matter to quarrel about, yet it is the small things that cause the most trouble. Some poet wrote: "Think naught a trifle though it small appear, Sands make the mountains, moments make the year, and trifles—life." This is shown to be true in a story that comes from Oregon City of an Italian with a German wife, the two having widely divergent ideas about the high cost of living. The wife put a boiled egg in the lunch of their little daughter. The husband thought this extravagance with eggs at present prices. They disputed, got angry and had a pitched battle. Italy is in jail for assaulting and beating Germany, and under \$500 bail bond—and the egg being cooked was eaten anyway.

The Capital Journal has received several communications criticizing the plan of writing letters to eastern people in order to get them to come to Oregon. Most of these take the position that there is no work for those already here, and it is wrong to try to induce more to come. These criticisms have not been printed for the reason that they were entirely outside of the issue. The letters were written not for the purpose of bringing people here to locate, but to invite tourists to visit us. They were to advertise Oregon scenery, and point out her attractions for those who wanted a pleasant and splendid vacation, giving the state an opportunity to reap some of the benefits financially and otherwise, that California receives from this source.

"Group B" is the latest secret organization inimical to the United States, that has been discovered by U. S. secret service agents. According to them this organization is composed of political refugees, and was organized in 1872. It is claimed this organization assisted in the escape of Ignatius T. Lincoln, self confessed German spy, from the United States marshal. Lincoln was ordered extradited as a forger, but insists England wanted to get him intending to shoot him as a spy. The organization was strong enough to secure the release of Jan Pouden, whose extradition was demanded by Russia. The order for his release was made by President Roosevelt.

The department of agriculture says the stock of potatoes remaining in growers hands is 38 per cent smaller than last year and 15 per cent smaller than in 1914. Nineteen northern states which produce 66 per cent of the crop, had January 1 only 105,345,000 bushels. According to this potatoes are liable to reach record prices before the new crop comes in—and the shipping trust will not have a chance to take all the advance in prices either, as the crop will be consumed at home.

The Evening Telegram of Portland probably has a limited number of readers in the Willamette Valley, but it is a wonder that it has any. It advocates the institution of such railroad rates, because it is owned by Portland lumbermen, that will close the valley sawmills for all time to come. Also it favors removal of the state fair to Portland, and in all respects is only a little dinky Portland local organ holding to the idea that there is nothing worth while in the state except its one big city.

About the only thing Justice Hughes has ever done to qualify for the presidential race, is to raise a crop of whiskers that infringe on Carranza's copyrights. However, his beard is no heavier than that of most of the infant industries his party so strenuously wet nurses.

It is said that the Germans have invented a "leatherless" shoe. The same idea has evidently been utilized by shoe manufacturers in America for a good many years past, but they haven't branded them that way.



THE SPEECH MAKERS

Jim Jimpson stutters when he talks; his tongue or else his larynx balks; it takes a long and painful while for him to cross a cerebral stile; his face goes through contortions weird, and froth is blown all o'er his beard. And yet Jim Jimpson doesn't mind; he seems to think that he will find spellbinding wreaths within his reach—he's always glad to make a speech. Hob Hoskin's education: bad; he sidestepped school when but a lad, and now he keeps the language bent; he says, "I seen," and "I have went." When he orates, poor Grammar groans, and has an ache in all its bones, and cultured people rend their hair, and beat their breasts and weep and swear. Yet Hoskin thinks he is a peach at reeling off a witty speech. It seems as though all misfit gents, who cannot talk for thirteen cents, who torture people when they spiel, and make of language an ordeal, are sure they wear, with graceful ease, the mantle of Demosthenes.

A TRAVELLING BANK

New York, Jan. 24.—When immigration men asked poorly clad Mrs. Aspasia Diamantis from Greece whether she had any money, she managed unobtrusively to find here and there—mostly gold—about her person \$26,000 in gold.

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POLITICS WILL SIZZ WHEN WILSON STARTS

President to Start Thursday On Stumping Tour to Defend Preparedness

Washington, Jan. 24.—Politics will pop and sizzle this week. The main event on the political calendar is President Wilson's stumping tour to swing public sentiment in favor of national preparedness; this will open Thursday night in New York. Afterwards he will swing around the circle in the middle west. Today, he added St. Louis to the list of cities already on the itinerary.

Speeches concerning the Mexican situation are expected to deepen the political issue of this trip, though the chief object thereof is to exhort the public to support the general idea of defenses of the nation—not the exact program recommended to congress, but the general policy of being ready for war. The president has especially requested that his audiences not be put to expense, and has asked that he be permitted to address as many persons as possible.

Another dish on the political menu will be the meeting of republican leaders at Chicago this week to discuss arrangements for the convention. In this, the question of whether conservative or progressive elements shall dominate the convention, may arise, though efforts will be made to sidetrack it if possible.

Still another political development will be the movement of progressive republicans in congress to reach a working agreement on progressive legislation and to work toward progressive control of the convention.

Yet other political phases of the week are the plans of peace advocates to end former Secretary of State Bryan out on an anti-preparedness stumping tour; while internationalists advocate peace urged Colonel Roosevelt to speak at Chicago on the subject of defense.

Preacher Would Send His Sons to Battlefields

Portland, Or., Jan. 24.—Peace at any price? are morally certain today that Dr. A. A. Morrison, pastor of the fashionable Trinity Episcopal church, is not one of them.

From the pulpit yesterday Dr. Morrison demanded preparedness and flayed those who advocated a doctrine of non-resistance. "The ideal Christian basis of appeal," he said, "is love—an ideal as applicable sometimes as an appeal to a jump post. If we must be prepared at all, let us be prepared in first class shape."

"I would be ashamed of my sons if they didn't volunteer immediately if needed."

WILLAMETTE GLEE TOURS

The Willamette quartet, comprising Gus Anderson, of Hayesville, first tenor; Harry Mills, of Salem, second tenor; Ray Medford, of Salem, first bass; Harry Bowers, of Brownsville, second bass, and Burgess F. Ford, manager, started yesterday for a week's trip down the Columbia.

Numerous trips have been made to towns close to Salem, and good crowds have been present each time.

Besides the songs from the quartet, Anderson gives humorous readings, with Bowers giving the more serious ones, and Mills some fine piano selections.

So far one of the most popular quartet selections in the "Ode to Willamette."

The cities to be visited on the Columbia trip are: Rainier, January 24; Clatskanie, January 25; Warrenton, January 26; Seaside, January 27; St. Helens, January 28; Troutdale, January 29.

NORTH HOWELL NOTES

Mr. and Mrs. I. E. Cutsforth, Mrs. Lucy Rickard and Mrs. Alice Willis were guests at C. A. Sawyer's Tuesday afternoon.

A large crowd attended the party at the Grange hall last Thursday evening and all reported a very enjoyable time.

Mrs. C. A. Sawyer and daughter, Jessie, Mr. and Mrs. A. B. Rickard and Rev. Jasper took dinner at J. S. Coomer's Sunday.

Mr. Isaac Stevens was a guest at J. E. Waltman's on Sunday.

Mr. and Mrs. Thos. Bump were Mr. Angel visitors Monday.

Several of the young men from this section attended the leap year dance at Central Howell Saturday night.—Gervais Star.

TUNNEL CAVE-IN IS FATAL

Dallas, Ore., Jan. 24.—Stephen Carley, aged 50, was killed yesterday near Hoskins, Polk county, when a tunnel upon which he was working caved in. It took three hours to remove the debris. All indications pointed to the fact that death was instantaneous. A sister has arrived from Portland and will take the body back with her. Mr. Carley was in the employ of the Valley & Siletz Railroad company. He was unmarried and leaves surviving a sister in Portland, a sister in Joplin, Missouri, and a brother in Bisbee, Arizona.

FACES FORGERY CHARGE

Portland, Or., Jan. 24.—Earl Cameron, aged 30 years, son of J. E. Cameron, a wealthy lumberman today (aced trial on a charge of forging checks to the amount of \$125.

Young Cameron was arrested last night by deputy sheriffs. They declared he stole the checkbook of Mrs. Mattie Bunell, whose daughter, Miss Irene Bunell, young Cameron had frequently visited. J. E. Cameron furnished \$500 bail for his son.

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AURORA NEWS

Mr. and Mrs. Eugene Flynn moved out to their farm near Champeoz this week. Many friends here regret their change of residence. Dr. Grise and Dedman went to Butteville Monday to attend a little girl at the C. E. Arnold family, who injured her hip a short time ago.

L. J. Chapin, formerly County Agriculturist, was in Aurora last week. He came in from Butteville where he had been looking at some land with a view to purchasing.

L. W. Grimm, principal of the Butteville school, passed the recent teachers' examination successfully and has been granted a certificate. H. C. Todd of Hubbard, and Ann C. Spollie, of Canby, were also granted certificates.

At Hubbard last week the Band association chose the following officers: G. W. Knight, president; J. E. McLaughlin, vice-president; D. A. F. De Loeb, secretary and treasurer; C. E. Beavins, custodian; A. D. Wolfer, director.

The county commissioners of Clatskanie county receive but \$3 per day for the time actually spent in the service of the county. Marion county pays \$4 per day. Polk county \$3, Yamhill \$4, several Eastern Oregon counties \$5; and Multnomah county \$1800 per year.

P. W. Kracht held a public auction at his farm near Butteville Friday. Mr. Kracht is moving to Portland where he will live with his daughter, Mrs. J. C. Lee. Mr. and Mrs. Hauner, who have been with Mr. Kracht at Butteville will move to their home at Beaverton.

Urban Kirk, of St. Paul, and Miss Annazetta McCormick, of West Woodburn, were married last week Wednesday at St. Luke's church, Woodburn, Father Maher performing the ceremony. Miss Carrie McCormick was bridesmaid and Albert McKay best man. The newly wedded couple will reside at St. Paul.

Henry Schwartz, aged 55, a resident of Wilsonville section for 40 years, died Friday at the Good Samaritan hospital at Portland. The body was brought to Wilsonville Saturday. The funeral was held at the residence at that place and the burial took place at Stafford cemetery in the afternoon. Mr. Schwartz leaves a widow and three children.—Observer.

OPEN FORUM

"Bachelor" Women.
Editor of Capital Journal, Salem, Ore.
Dear Sir:
I read an editorial article of yours not long ago in which you asserted that modern old maids also bachelor women are quite an admirable and happy species.

With due respect to your crisp writing I beg to correct your observation. I am a bachelor woman myself and I have known a lot of them on the Atlantic coast, in the Mississippi valley and in the Rocky mountains; educated, capable women who may put up a bluff about contentment, but believe me, underneath there isn't a more restless, cheated, wasted class of people on earth than these so-called independent women. Down in their hearts they know that all this independence—of which society seems to be so proud—is a bitter counterfeit of what God or nature intended for them.

I could tell you facts about these good looking bachelors that would make your hair curl. All that they are worth is their bank account and their clothes and most of them are well aware of their poverty.

Yours respectfully,
MARJORIE SUTHERLAND,
1600 Downing street, Denver, Col.
January 18, 1916.

FIVE NEW CANALS

Flagstaff, Ariz., Jan. 24.—It's just one canal after another on Mars; five new ones have broken out near the north pole of that well known planet, according to Powell observatory astronomers.

Pimples Disappear

There is one remedy that seldom fails to clear away all pimples, black heads and skin eruptions and that makes the skin soft, clear and healthy.

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